

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Sara Benjamin Bardin, Director, D.C. Office of Zoning  
**FROM:** Jennifer Steingasser, Deputy Director Development Review & Historical Preservation  
**DATE:** January 4, 2013  
**SUBJECT:** **Z.C. 13-01** - Request for placement on the January 14, 2013 Zoning Commission Consent Agenda, and for Zoning Commission consideration a minor modification.

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The Office of Planning requests the following minor modification be placed on the Consent Calendar of the January 14, 2013 public meeting agenda, pursuant to § 3030 of the Zoning Regulations.

The Office of Planning has coordinated with the Office of Attorney general and determined that the boundary description of the original 1700.1 text is no longer relevant and a minor modification to amend § 1700.1 which would result in the removal of an outdated reference to the original boundaries of the DD district overlay. The boundaries as originally described are no longer accurate and the current DD district overlay boundaries are recorded on the official zoning maps of Office of Zoning.

OP recommends the following minor modification shown as ~~stricken~~ text, to DCMR title 11 Zoning Regulations, Chapter 17 Downtown Development Overlay District, General Provisions § 1700.1:

*1700.1 The Downtown Development (DD) Overlay District is applied to the core of the Downtown area, including subareas identified in the Comprehensive Plan as the Downtown Shopping District (Retail Core), the Arts District, Gallery Place, Chinatown, Pennsylvania Quarter, Convention Center, and Mount Vernon Square, and areas designated for historic preservation and housing mixed use, which areas overlap geographically with the subareas. ~~The boundaries of the DD Overlay District are indicated in Map A, filed in Zoning Commission Case No. 89-25, which may be viewed at the D.C. Office of Zoning.~~ All street locations in this overlay district are in Northwest Washington.*

Since adoption of the original text, the Zoning Commission has approved expansion of the Housing Priority Area beyond the original DD overlay boundaries in Case No. 05-43 and Case No. 08-23. After each Commission action the official zoning maps have been amended to reflect the new DD district overly boundaries, thus the original reference is outdated and unnecessary.

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